

DECLARATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that our respective residences, mailing addresses, and citizenship are as stated below.

We believe we are the sole, original and first inventors of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SOUPS COMPRISING EMULSIFIED LIQUID SHORTENING COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING DIETARY FIBER GEL, WATER AND LIPID.

The specification for the above named composition of matter is attached hereto.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations section 1.56.

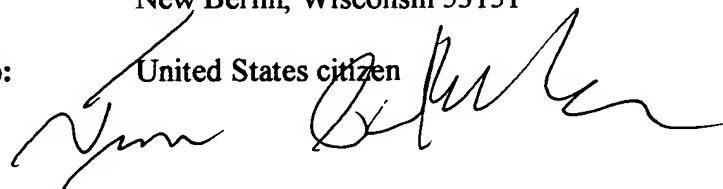
We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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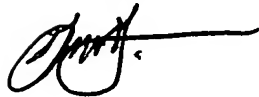
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POWER OF ATTORNEY

We hereby appoint Timothy J. Fullin J.D., LL.M., registration number 50685, as our attorney to prosecute the patent application attached hereto, for the device entitled:

SOUPS COMPRISING EMULSIFIED LIQUID SHORTENING COMPOSITIONS
COMPRISING DIETARY FIBER GEL, WATER AND LIPID.

We further authorize Timothy J. Fullin J.D., LL.M., registration number 50685, to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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